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SUBJECT:WEEKLY STATUS REPORT - KOREA

TO: EA - MR. HOLBROOKE
FROM: EA/K - ROBERT G. RICH, JR.

1. FRASER SUBCOMMITTEE HOLDS TWO DAYS OF HEARINGS (LOU)

THE FRASER SUBCOMMITTEE INVESTIGATING US-ROK RELATIONS
QUESTIONED WITNESSES NOVEMBER 29 AND 30 ON ALLEDGED KCIA
ACTIVITIES IN THE UNITED STATES. THE SUBCOMMITTEE
RELEASED A DOCUMENT IDENTIFIED AS A "KCIA PLAN" FOR 1976,
OUTLINING MEASURES TO BE TAKEN IN THE US TO SHIFT
OPINIONS IN ACADEMIC, OFFICIAL AND PRESS CIRCLES TOWARD
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POSITIONS FAVORABLE TO THE ROK. WITNESSES QUESTIONED
INCLUDED A FORMER KCIA OFFICIAL, SEVERAL ACADEMICIANS AND
AN FSO. THE ACADEMICIANS AND THE FSO HAD BEEN IDENTIFIED
IN THE 1976 PLAN AS "TARGETS" OF KCIA EFFORTS.
TESTIMONY ON WHETHER OR NOT THE "PLAN" HAD ROKG APPROVAL
WAS INCONCLUSIVE, BUT SEVERAL WITNESSES DID DESCRIBE ROKG
EFFORTS TO GET FORMER KCIA DIRECTOR KIM HYUNG WOOK TO

MODERATE HIS AMTI-ROKG STATEMENTS IN TESTIMONY BEFORE THE FRASER SUBCOMMITTEE IN JUNE. THE FORMER KCIA AGENT, WHO

REPORTEDLY PROVIDED THE "PLAN", TESTIFIED THAT HE PERSONALLY HAD NOT IMPLEMENTED ANY PART OF IT, AND THAT HE THOUGHT IT "UNTHINKABLE" THAT SUCH EFFORTS WERE BEING UNDERTAKEN BY THE KCIA. CHAIRMAN FRASER CLOSED THE HEARINGS BY INDICATING THE SUBCOMMITTEE WOULD FULLY INVESTIGATE KCIA OPERATIONS IN THE US, AND THAT HE PLANNED TO CALL ALL PERSONS IDENTIFIED IN THE PLAN AS "TARGETS" TO TESTIFY. FURTHER HEARINGS ARE TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR 1978. IF ALL PERSONS NAMED IN THE PLAN ARE CALLED, THE HEARINGS WILL BE LENGTHY. WITNESSES MAY INCLUDE DEPARTMENT AND OTHER USG OFFICIALS.

2. PROPOSED F-16 SALE (CONFIDENTIAL)

PM IS COORDINATING INTER-AGENCY CONSIDERATION OF AN ROKG REQUEST FOR A LOA COVERING 60 F-16 AIRCRAFT TO BE DELIVERED IN 1981-82. ACCEPTING AS GIVEN THE FACT THAT WE HAVE AGREED IN PRINCIPLE TO SELL THE F-16 TO KOREA, THE ANALYSIS WILL CONCENTRATE ON THE QUESTION OF TIMING OF SUCH A SALE. EMBASSY SEOUL'S COMMENTS, CONTAINED IN SEOUL 9875, ARE TIMELY AND WILL BE GIVEN FULL CONSIDERATION. THE TARGET FOR COMPLETION OF A DECISION MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY IS MID-DECEMBER. CONFIDENTIAL

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3. NORTH KOREAN INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES (CONFIDENTIAL)

ALTHOUGH PYONGYANG HAS PASSED OVER THE OPPORTUNITY TO RAISE THE KOREAN QUESTION IN THE UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY THIS YEAR, THERE HAVE BEEN RECENT INDICATIONS THAT THE NORTH KOREANS CONTINUE ACTIVE PURSUIT OF THEIR GOALS IN OTHER INTERNATIONAL FORA. THEY HAVE REPORTEDLY CONTACTED PARTY DELEGATIONS TO THE SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE, SCHEDULED FOR TOKYO DECEMBER 19, TO URGE SUPPORT FOR A PRO-PYONGYANG RESOLUTION TO BE SUBMITTED BY THE JAPANESE SOCIALIST PARTY. THEY HAVE ALSO BEEN ACTIVE IN UNESCO AND NON-ALIGNED MEETINGS ON INTERNATIONAL MEDIA. VANCE

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